

Medway June 8 1775,

Whereas I the Subscriber having been entertained with a free and plain Conversation by the Comm<sup>rs</sup> of Correspondence & the Selectmen of this Town Relative to some Suspicion & Jealousies of my being unfriendly & inimical to the Just Right, & Liberties of America and the Constitution of the Province, & Whereas being well Sensible I cannot enjoy Staying in Society without a Charitable Opinion of the People Among whom I Live, Therefore that the said Jealousies may be removed, & that I may be entitled to the Charitable Opinion of my Neighbours & Acquaintance, Do now in this manner freely & Sincerely manifest my Sentiments & Resolution, Relative to the said Jealousies, in the following manner

That as to the Authority of the British Parliament for Passing Acts Binding, in all Cases whatsoever in America, is as I apprehend Unconstitutional.

That as to the Late Acts of the British Parliament for blocking the Harbour of Boston, & altering the Civil Constitution of the Province &c, Are as I conceive very Grievous Unjustifiable Acts, & that no Obedience ought to be yielded or forced thereunto And Although I cannot see any Reason or Justice in any of the Riotous Actions in the late <sup>unhappy</sup> Times, yet I Sincerely declare, that I am free & willing to exert myself in every Just Constitutional way for the Recovery & Preservation of the right Priviledges and Constitution aforesd, & that for the future I determine to adhere Strictly to the Advices of the Continental & Provincial Congress

And that I will do Nothing whatsoever Directly or indirectly, to Obstruct or Defeat in any wise, the plan & measures Adopted by Congresses for the Purposes of Recovering & Preserving the right Liberties and Constitution aforesd.

Witness my hand

Tim<sup>d</sup> Hamant



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